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Senate

The Senate met at 12 o'clock meridian, and was called to order by the President pro tempore.

The Chaplain, Rev. Frederick Brown Harris, D.D., offered the following prayer:

Eternal Father, in a world that lieth in darkness swept by fitful winds of despair and doubt, for this hallowed moment we pause at this sheltered sanctuary of Thy grace to make sure that the light within us is not dimmed. In this desperate hour of the Nation's life, when the world's hope of a bright tomorrow is so largely committed to our frail hands, join us, we pray Thee, to the great company of unconquered spirits who, in other evil times, has stood their ground, preserving the heritage of man's best, and whose flaming faith has made them as lighted windows amid the encircling gloom.

In this difficult and dangerous era, be Thou our pillar of cloud by day, and of fire by night, as patiently and obediently we follow the kindly light of Thy guidance. As deadly perils threaten the birthright of our liberties, help us to close our national ranks in a new unity. Hasten the coming of the radiant kingdom when each man's rule will be all men's good, and universal peace will lie like a shaft of light across the lands, and as a lane of beams across the sea.

We ask it in the Redeemer's name. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

On request of Mr. MANSFIELD, and by unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal of the proceedings of Wednesday, April 19, 1961, was dispensed with.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message in writing from the President of the United States was communicated to the Senate by Mr. Miller, one of his secretaries.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

A message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Maurer, one of its reading clerks, announced that the

House had passed the bill (S. 912) to provide for the appointment of additional circuit and district judges, and for other purposes, with an amendment, in which it requested the concurrence of the Senate.

LIMITATION OF DEBATE DURING MORNING HOUR

Mr. MANSFIELD. Mr. President, under the rule, there will be the usual morning hour for the transaction of routine business. I ask unanimous consent that statements in connection therewith be limited to 3 minutes.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE MEETING DURING SENATE SESSION

On request of Mr. MANSFIELD, and by unanimous consent, the Patent Subcommittee of the Committee on the Judiciary was authorized to sit during the session of the Senate today.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. MANSFIELD. Mr. President, I move that the Senate proceed to the consideration of executive business, to consider the nominations on the Executive Calendar.

The motion was agreed to; and the Senate proceeded to the consideration of executive business.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following favorable reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. SPARKMAN, from the Committee on Banking and Currency:

Mrs. Marie C. McGuire, of Texas, to be Public Housing Commissioner.

By Mr. CARROLL, from the Committee on the Judiciary:

David C. Acheson, to be U.S. attorney for the District of Columbia.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. If there be no further reports of committees, the nominations on the calendar will be stated.

FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION

The Chief Clerk read the nomination of Howard Bertsch, of Oregon, to be Administrator of the Farmers Home Administration.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, the nomination is confirmed.

FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION

The Chief Clerk read the nomination of Julian B. Thayer, of Connecticut, to be a member of the Federal Farm Credit Board, Farm Credit Administration, for the term expiring March 31, 1967.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, the nomination is confirmed.

The Chief Clerk read the nomination of Joe B. Zeug, of Minnesota, to be a member of the Federal Farm Credit Board, Farm Credit Administration, for the term expiring March 31, 1967.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, the nomination is confirmed.

COAST GUARD

The Chief Clerk proceeded to read sundry nominations in the Coast Guard.

Mr. MANSFIELD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that these nominations be considered en bloc.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, the nominations will be considered en bloc; and, without objection, they are confirmed.

Mr. MANSFIELD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the President be immediately notified of the confirmation of all these nominations.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, the President will be notified forthwith.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Mr. MANSFIELD. Mr. President, I move that the Senate resume the consideration of legislative business.

The motion was agreed to; and the Senate resumed the consideration of legislative business.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS,
ETC.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the following letters, which were referred as indicated:

REPORT OF COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION

A letter from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the General Sales Manager, concerning the policies, activities, and developments, including all sales and disposals, with regard to each commodity which the Commodity Credit Corporation owns or which it is directed to support, for the month of January 1961 (with an accompanying report); to the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry.

REVISION OF TITLE 37, UNITED STATES CODE, ENTITLED "PAY AND ALLOWANCES OF THE UNIFORMED SERVICES"

A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to revise, codify, and enact into law, title 37 of the United States Code, entitled "Pay and Allowances of the Uniformed Services" (with an accompanying paper); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

Petitions, etc., were laid before the Senate, or presented, and referred as indicated:

By the PRESIDENT pro tempore:

Resolutions adopted by the Texas Society, Daughters of the American Colonists, March 16-17, 1961; ordered to lie on the table.

By Mr. SCHOEPEL:

A resolution of the Senate of the State of Kansas; to the Committee on Armed Services:

"SENATE RESOLUTION 17

"Resolution requesting the Secretary of Defense and the President of the United States to review the proposed transfer of the naval air technical training unit from the Olathe, Kans., Naval Air Station to the Glynco, Ga., Naval Air Station

"Whereas it has been proposed by the Department of Defense that the naval air technical training unit be transferred from the Olathe, Kans., Naval Air Station to the Glynco, Ga., Naval Air Station; and

"Whereas if such transfer is finally approved by the President of the United States and consummated by the actual transfer of such facilities, the effect would inevitably cause great economic loss to the areas of Kansas surrounding the naval air station at Olathe, Kans.; and

"Whereas the 87th Congress of the United States has enacted legislation intended to aid and not to create economically depressed areas of our country; and

"Whereas the reason for the proposed transfer of the aforementioned unit has been reported as a step toward economizing in expenditures in the Armed Forces; and

"Whereas such alleged saving in public funds relative to such proposed transfer cannot be substantiated in view of the fact that the cost of transfer would be greater than improving the present facilities at Olathe; and

"Whereas it is understood that in the near future it is planned to standardize the training of all air control operations through a Federal aviation agency program which accordingly would eliminate this type of training unit, and, consequently, it would seem highly inadvisable to transfer said unit because it would result in a needless expenditure of public funds: Now, therefore, be it

"Resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas, That we respectfully urge the Secretary of Defense and the President of the

United States to give immediate careful study and reconsideration of the proposed transfer of the naval air technical training unit from the Olathe, Kans., Naval Air Station to the Glynco, Ga., Naval Air Station; and be it further

"Resolved, That the secretary of state in directed to transmit enrolled copies of this resolution to the Secretary of Defense, the President of the United States, the Secretary of the Navy, and to each of the members of the Kansas congressional delegation.

"I hereby certify that the above resolution originated in the senate, and was adopted by that body.

"Adopted by the senate April 7, 1961.

"HAROLD H. CHASE,

"President of the Senate.

"RALPH E. ZARKER,

"Secretary of the Senate."

A resolution of the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas; to the Committee on Armed Services:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION 31

"Resolution requesting the Secretary of Defense and the President of the United States to review the proposed transfer of the naval air technical training unit from the Olathe, Kans., Naval Air Station to the Glynco, Ga., Naval Air Station

"Whereas it has been proposed by the Department of Defense that the naval air technical training unit be transferred from the Olathe, Kans., Naval Air Station to the Glynco, Ga., Naval Air Station; and

"Whereas if such transfer is finally approved by the President of the United States and consummated by the actual transfer of such facilities, the effect would inevitably cause great economic loss to the areas of Kansas surrounding the naval air station at Olathe, Kans.; and

"Whereas the 87th Congress of the United States has enacted legislation intended to aid and not to create economically depressed areas of our country; and

"Whereas the reason for the proposed transfer of the aforementioned unit has been reported as a step toward economizing in expenditures in the Armed Forces; and

"Whereas such alleged savings in public funds relative to such proposed transfer cannot be substantiated in view of the fact that the cost of transfer would be greater than improving the present facilities at Olathe; and

"Whereas it is understood that in the near future it is planned to standardize the training of all air control operations through a Federal aviation agency program which accordingly would eliminate this type of training unit, and consequently, it would seem highly inadvisable to transfer said unit because it would result in a needless expenditure of public funds: Now, therefore, be it

"Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas, That we respectfully urge the Secretary of Defense and the President of the United States to give immediate careful study and reconsideration of the proposed transfer of the naval air technical training unit from the Olathe, Kans., naval air station to the Glynco, Ga., naval air station; and be it further

"Resolved, That the secretary of state is directed to transmit enrolled copies of this resolution to the Secretary of Defense, the President of the United States, the Secretary of the Navy, and to each of the members of the Kansas congressional delegation.

"Adopted by the house April 6, 1961.

"ALLEN L. MITCHELL,

"Speaker of the House.

"A. E. ANDERSON,

"Chief Clerk of the House."

A concurrent resolution of the Legislature of the State of Kansas; to the Committee on Commerce:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 33

"Concurrent resolution extending an invitation for State, National, and international participation in the Kansas Centennial World Food Fair

"Whereas Kansas is recognized among the States of this Nation as a leading producer of wheat, has won the popular acclaim of 'breadbasket of the world,' is a major producer also of other grains, beef, poultry, dairy, and other food products; and

"Whereas food production and food trade are common goals of all Nations as sustainers of life and industry, benefiting the welfare of all peoples, and contributing to the cause for peace; and

"Whereas Kansas is this year observing its centennial of statehood, inviting all its citizens and visitors to celebrate 100 years of achievement; and

"Whereas it is most fitting that Kansas, 'Midway U.S.A.,' invite other countries and other States to join in displaying food and allied products in a large international market place provided for this purpose as a feature of the State's centennial celebration; and

"Whereas the Kansas centennial world food fair has been certified by the U.S. Department of Commerce for temporary duty-free entry of foreign exhibits under the trade fair act of 1959: Now, therefore, be it

"Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas (the Senate concurring therein), That Kansas extend the hand of welcome and friendship to the countries of the world and to the peoples of other states through the Kansas centennial world food fair to be held at Mid-America fairgrounds in Topeka, June 13 to June 25, 1961, as a recognized trade show and public exhibition; and be it further

"Resolved, That Kansas citizens and organizations, cities, counties, and state, join together in supporting this means of displaying the productive resources of this great State, and the hospitality and friendship of its people; and be it further

"Resolved, That the secretary of state be directed to send enrolled copies of this resolution to the President of the United States, U.S. Secretary of Commerce, U.S. Secretary of Agriculture, U.S. Secretary of State, embassies of foreign nations, to each member of the Kansas congressional delegation, and to the Governors of the other 49 States.

"Adopted by the house March 20, 1961.

"ALLEN L. MITCHELL,

"Speaker of the House.

"A. E. ANDERSON,

"Chief Clerk of the House.

"Adopted by the senate April 4, 1961.

"HAROLD H. CHASE,

"President of the Senate.

"RALPH E. ZARKER,

"Secretary of the Senate."

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. ELLENDER, from the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, without amendment:

S. 1027. A bill to amend title I of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (Rept. No. 175).

By Mr. MAGNUSON, from the Committee on Commerce, without amendment:

S. 881. A bill to revise section 4166 of the Revised Statutes (46 U.S.C. 35) to permit documentation of vessels sold or transferred abroad (Rept. No. 179); and

S. 1288. A bill to amend section 362(b) of the Communications Act of 1934 (Rept. No. 180).